

REMARKS

In response to the office action of August 21, 2009, applicant provides the following remarks. Claims 78, 84 and 87 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Therefore, claims 68, 82 and 85 have been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claims 78, 84 and 87, respectively. These independent claims and the claims that depend therefrom are now in condition for allowance.

Claim 88 has been amended to require "a tensile strength of between 40.4 and 56.2 MPa, as determined by ASTM D 638, a notched Izod impact (3.2 mm width of notch) of between 21 and 85 Joules per meter, as determined by ASTM D 256". The amendments to the claim are supported at least by Examiner 43 and table 27. The claim now requires limitations that limit the polymer blend to a blend with a specific set of properties. Applicant believes that independent claim 88 is now in condition for allowance.

Claims 92-114 were also objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. Applicant's representative, Jennifer Zanolocco, contacted the Examiner to inquire about the status of claim 92 because it is an independent claim. Applicant thanks the Examiner for explaining on October 19, 2009, that claim 92 is in condition for allowance.

Claim 126 has been amended to change the dependency to claim 88.

Claims 78, 84, and 87 are canceled. Applicant respectfully reserves the right to pursue any canceled subject matter in one or more continuing applications.

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Respectfully submitted,

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